

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE
BOARD OF SCIENTIFIC COUNSELORS (BSC)
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC)**

**Second Meeting: July 12, 2012
Chamblee Campus, Building 106, Conference Room 8A
Atlanta, Georgia 30341
Chair: Dr. Mark Redfern**

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC – SECONDARY REVIEW

Call to Order / Roll Call

**Gwendolyn H. Cattledge, Ph.D., M.S.E.H.
Deputy Associate Director for Science
National Center for Injury Prevention and Control
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

Dr. Cattledge called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST), thanking everyone for taking time out of their busy schedules to assist the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC) with an important part of its business—funding grants and cooperative agreements. She then turned the meeting over to NCIPC BSC Co-Chair, Dr. Mark Redfern.

**Mark S. Redfern, Ph.D.
NCIPC BSC Co-Chair
William Kepler-Whitefield Professor of Bioengineering
Department of Bioengineering
University of Pittsburgh**

Dr. Redfern welcomed everyone. He explained that the purpose of this meeting was to conduct a secondary review for applications received in response to NCIPC Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOAs) that have been recommended for further consideration by the NCIPC Initial Review Group (IRG). The secondary review process consists of review and discussion of the programmatic merits of the applications. While the purpose of the process is not to engage in another peer review of the scientific and technical merits of the applications, Dr. Redfern invited members to raise scientific or technical issues if they felt the need to do so. Generally, the results of the IRG are accepted unless the NCIPC BSC recommends a different funding priority based on shifting priorities, new innovative work, or work that fills important gaps in the field of injury prevention and control as stipulated by the FOA. In the case of the FOAs being reviewed

during this secondary review, there were no such stipulations. This may result in recommending applications outside of the approved scoring process.

The voting members of the BSC were instructed to vote with the assistance, advice, and guidance provided by the liaisons from the federal agencies. During discussion, some federal agencies liaisons might suggest alternative or additional funding by their agencies, or they may suggest that an application be held until more funding is available from their agencies. Budgets and other considerations could be discussed and recommended to the NCIPC director. Following the secondary review meeting, the results of the vote will be compiled and forwarded to the NCIPC director for final decisions. NCIPC staff who are familiar with the FOA may offer guidance when called upon or requested by the BSC members. The Procurement and Grants Office (PGO) staff might also be able to answer questions and offer assistance. Dr. Redfern then requested that Ms. Tonia Lindley call the roll, and he confirmed that a quorum was in attendance. Those present are documented at the end of this report in Appendix A.

Secondary Review: Closed to the Public

Upon establishing a quorum, the meeting was closed to the public in order to proceed with the secondary review. During this session, a secondary review was conducted of the following NCIPC Funding Opportunity Announcements (FOA), following which the meeting was re-opened to the public:

- ☐ CE12-004: Characterizing the Short and Long Term Consequences of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Among Children in the United States
- ☐ CE12-005: Field Triage of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) in Older Adults Taking Anticoagulants or Platelet Inhibitors
- ☐ CE12-006: Alcohol-related Motor Vehicle Injury Research
- ☐ CE12-007: Research to Prevent Prescription Drug Overdoses

Closing Remarks / Adjournment

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In closing, **Dr. Cattledge** requested that everyone send an email to the NCIPC BSC mailbox address at ncipcbsc@cdc.gov to provide written confirmation that they were on the call. She announced that the science meeting would be convened on October 18-19, 2012 and that Ms. Lindley would be reaching out to the members prior to that time. A few more confirmations are needed to ensure that there will be adequate attendance for a quorum. NCIPC also wants to establish a pattern of setting certain dates for the BSC meetings, which should assist members with scheduling. The next secondary review will be convened in June 2013, with firm dates to follow. At this time, she opened the floor for announcements and final discussions.

Discussion Points

Dr. Fowler noted that the national injury meeting is scheduled for June 2013, so they need to make sure that the June 2013 secondary review does not conflict with that.

Dr. Eastman inquired as to whether there had been any discussions about recent news reports regarding CDC and potential conflicts of interests in terms of the grant review process and how this may impact these applications. More specifically, within the previous two days, CDC was notified of a perceived conflict of interest with proposals being used for lobbying.

Dr. Morrison inquired as to whether anyone from MASO was on the line; however, there was no response.

Dr. Cattledge replied that she had not heard any discussion about the inquiry by Dr. Eastman.

Dr. Redfern requested that CDC staff prepare some information about this issue to be distributed to NCIPC BSC members to apprise them of the situation.

With no further business posed or questions / comments raised, Dr. Cattledge thanked everyone for taking time out of their busy schedules to participate in this secondary review and officially adjourned the NCIPC BSC meeting at 12:11 p.m.

Certification

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing minutes of the July 12, 2012 NCIPC BSC are accurate and complete:

Date:

Gwendolyn H. Cattledge, Ph.D., M.S.E.H.
BSC Executive Secretary

Appendix A: Attendance

Committee Members Present

Shrikant I. Bangdiwala, Ph.D.
John G. Borkowski, Ph.D.
Paul Cunningham, M.D.
Brent A. Eastman, M.D., F.A.C.S.
Carolyn J. Cumpsty Fowler, Ph.D., M.P.H.
David Grossman, M.D., M.P.H.
Fuzhong Li, Ph.D.
Lourdes O. Linares, Ph.D.
Maury Nation, Ph.D.
Deborah Prothrow-Stith, M.D.
Mark S. Redfern, Ph.D.

Federal Liaisons

Iris Mabry-Hernandez, M.D., M.P.H. (Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality)
Lyndon Joseph, Ph.D. (National Institute on Aging)

CDC Staff Present

Gwendolyn H. Cattledge, Ph.D., M.S.E.H.
Grant Baldwin, Ph.D., M.P.H.
Donald Blackman, Ph.D.
Marquisette Glass, M.S., M.P.H.
Arlene Greenspan, Dr.P.H., M.P.H.
Dan Holcomb
Michelle LaLand
Tonia Lindley
Lisa McGuire, Ph.D.
Christine Morrison, Ph.D.
Marilyn Radke, M.D., M.P.H.
Tom Simon, Ph.D.
David Sleet, Ph.D.
Paul Smutz, Ph.D.

Others Present and Affiliations

Stephanie Henry Wallace, Cambridge Communications (Writer / Editor)